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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Mehran Bashiri, Michael Davis

Application No.:

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For:

HYBRID BALLOON EXPANDABLE/SELF-EXPANDING STENT

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Commissioner for Patents

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Docket No: S63.2B-9867-US01

PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136

Petitioners, SciMed Life Systems, Inc., hereby request a two month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2003. Please charge the petition fee of \$420.00 as set forth in 37 CFR §1.17 and any outstanding fee for extension to our Deposit Account, No. 22-0350.

> Respectfully submitted, VIDAS, ARRETT & STEINKRAUS, P.A.

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